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If all were determined to play the first violin, we should never have a complete orchestra.—Schumann.

AFTER THE DELUGE

There is no victory like a thorough victory and no defeat like a thorough defeat, for wiping clean the political slate and starting afresh.

The Republicans of the city and county of Honolulu have been given a sound licking by the Democrats. Might as well admit it. The Democrats have captured practically all the offices that mean control of the city and county government. They have the whip-hand for the next two years.

A thorough defeat leaves behind it not one-tenth of the sting that a half-defeat leaves. It was not a defeat brought about by one faction, by one mistake, by one slip, or by one fault. It was not a Democratic victory won by a single coup, a single issue or a single dominant figure. The city and county of Honolulu has gone Democratic. The voters, powerful when they realize their power, wanted a new deal. They got it. Too late now to thrash out the might-have-beens. Too late to remedy mistakes. The ballots have been cast and they have been counted. The Republican party was counted out. It was a clean knock-out, too.

Now the thing to do is to forget politics and political squabbles, and give a Democratic city and county government just as good and impartial help as a Republican city and county government would have been entitled to. The Democrats have been crying for it, these many years that if elected to office they would remedy all the ills in Honolulu. Give them a chance. The best politics for Republicans to play now is that of developing young men who will be unbeatable campaign material two years from last Tuesday. These young men will be found in the workshops, the schools, clerking in stores, coming to the front in business. They will be found taking active part in improvement clubs and in semi-public movements for civic welfare. They have the power of energy, of sincerity, of ambition. With such men strengthening the rank and file, and with the advice of the older men—tempered by the lessons learned last Tuesday—the party will be in a position two years from now for a winning battle.

Meanwhile, the Democrats are riding in the bandwagon. They have promised us, if we would give them our votes, such an administration that it will be a reasonably safe approach to the millennium. More power to 'em!

THE MURDERER OF "SOLDIER" REYNOLDS

"Soldier" Reynolds was killed in a drunken debauch at Iwilei on October 15. Yesterday the grand jury failed to find a true bill against the man accused of his murder.

The grand jury's action was correct, in view of the fact that all the evidence against the accused man was circumstantial, and rested, moreover, on the confused and muddled impressions of companions in the debauch who could not remember what had happened while they lay in stupor.

But Reynolds is dead. Reynolds was murdered. He was shot by someone, and all the work done by police and grand juries cannot bring life back to him. A capital crime has been committed. Blood has been shed in violence. Life has been taken.

The crime was not against the man alone, but against all society. The peace of this community has been ruthlessly disturbed. And the criminal goes free.

Who is to blame?

The real criminal in the case is not the man who fired the shot. The real criminal, the real murderer, is the deadly booze that deprived five men of their senses and robbed them of their manhood as they drank in wild debauchery.

That is the criminal that must be apprehended. That is the dangerous factor to society.

The last issue of a liquor trade journal conveys the information that 1791 barrels of wine were brought into Hawaii during the month ending September 20. Of this, a large part is the cheap wine known as "dago red."

The adulteration of wines and the manufacture of imitation wines has grown to such proportions that at the last session of Congress a bill was introduced defining imitation and adulterated wines and preventing such imitation and adulteration.

This bill shows fully what impure and dan-

gerous substances are placed in the cheap wines. Hawaii needs no chemical proof that much of the cheap wine brought here is dangerous. The proof lies in such instances as the murder of "Soldier" Reynolds.

"Dago red" is the criminal to be run down and put out of business. The grand jury has failed to find a true bill against an accused man. "Dago Red" is the criminal against whom a true bill can be found.

ONE RESULT OF CUTTING UP THE LAND

Will Hawaii really profit by cutting up all the cattle ranges into small holdings?

This question is very much to the point just now. During the visit of Secretary Fisher, the expression was frequently used by himself and others—"break up the big holdings into small holdings." And many hours of his investigation were spent in the discussion of how to handle the economic problems in Hawaii to get the most people "onto the land."

How about our big cattle ranches? Will it profit the people of Hawaii if the cattle ranges are swept out of existence and the territory left without grazing country?

The mainland is already facing the results of a policy of developing small holdings at the expense of the vast cattle country of the west and south. Now, in a communication to this paper, George R. Carter draws attention to the following from the Cincinnati Times-Star:

Canada has profited many times by American experience and American mistakes. It has learned numerous useful lessons by closely studying what we have done or left undone. At present the Dominion government is contemplating the appointment of a commission to inquire into the question of preserving large grazing areas for cattle. Our neighbors would probably never have thought of doing this had they not observed the consequences in this country of cutting up the great ranges into small farms. This American policy undoubtedly has been of great advantage to many individuals, but whether it has benefited the public at large is open to question. The present high price of meat certainly tends to make most of us regret the passing of the great cattle ranges of former days, but it is a regret that will do no good. The old days have gone, never to return. With Canada, however, the case is different. The Dominion has been rapidly disposing of its public lands, but it still has great tracts left which are suitable for cattle-grazing. It could acquire more without excessive expense. It is confronted now with the question whether such ranges would be of greater public advantage than many comparatively small farms. Knowing all that has happened on this side of the border, it seems possible that the decision will be against the ranges in favor of the farms.

The election in Honolulu last Tuesday was the quietest in years, the freest from booze, there was less money spent by half than two years ago, and the conduct of the voters was sufficient answer to those who say that the Hawaiian is not capable of self-government. He is not only capable of self-government, he is considerably more capable of independent thought than some of the campaign managers believe.

We in Hawaii are glad to know that Julius Kahn has been reelected to the house from California. Congressman Kahn visited here last year and has been a consistent booster for the islands and may be counted upon as one of Hawaii's firmest and most influential friends.

More "Votes for Women"! Suffrage for all is the keynote of the age in politics. It embraces a square deal for all, social freedom, recognition of woman as entitled to just as much voice in running the affairs of her country as man.

Hawaii is one big family, after all, and we must have a row now and then among the children. But don't let the rows prevent the whole family from keeping busy and happy.

Col. Roosevelt's silence at Oyster Bay is due to the fact that he is engaged in writing a new book, entitled "Wild Steam-Rollers That I Have Known."

Some of the local Democrats are good enough to express themselves as satisfied with the results.

That "silent vote" seems to have given the Princeton college yell when the time came.

Election's over. Shop early. Get ready for Christmas and forget political bitterness.

Naturally, William Randolph Hearst is claiming credit for Wilson's election.

Where are Roosevelt's congratulations to Wilson?

LETTERS ON TIMELY TOPICS

HEAVY TRAFFIC SHOULD BE RESTRICTED.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin, Sir:—Believing that everyone who thinks he has a helpful suggestion should make it public and to that extent assist the new administration, I wish to say that to permit heavy traffic over any and all streets of the city is most unwise; as all the streets are cut-up alike by the heavy loads that are being taken over them. The streets outside of the immediate cen-

ter of the city are not made to stand this traffic, and consequently are in miserable condition. Certain streets should be set apart for heavy traffic and the wide-tire law should be rigidly enforced. Traction trains and animal trains should be absolutely forbidden. Is it not folly to spend a large sum in making a street to have it plowed up in a very short time by a traction engine and train or, what is nearly as bad, an animal train? STRAIGHT REPUBLICAN.

PERSONALITIES

F. C. BILLARD, of the U. S. C. R. Thetis, is registered at the Young. B. H. SAWLER, of Boston, Mass., is registered at the Young. R. C. PATTERSON, a business man of San Francisco, is registered at the Young.

JOHN C. POOLE, of Spokane, Washington, is registered at the Hawaiian.

C. R. WIELAND, of Kahului, is a visitor in the city. He is a guest at the Hawaiian.

MRS. E. A. McBRIDE, of San Francisco, is visiting in the city. She is a guest at the Moana.

ENSIGN, D. M. KEMP, who is making a short visit in Honolulu, is registered at the Moana.

SILAS SWEET, of Vancouver, B. C., is making a tour of the islands accompanied by his wife.

CAPT. H. F. WILSON, of San Antonio, Texas, is making a tour of the islands accompanied by Mrs. Wilson.

MR. JAMIESON, accompanied by Mrs. Jamieson, who has been touring Europe for the past four months, returned from the Marana.

MRS. CUSHING, of San Francisco, is visiting in Honolulu and is registered at the Young. She is accompanied by her daughter, Miss Girardelli.

JOHN BUCK, one of the owners of the Hutchinson and Honolulu plantations, arrived on the Honolulu yesterday. He is accompanied by his son, Walter Buck, who is head of the Associated Oil company.

Rev. S. L. DESHA returned to Hilo yesterday on the Mauna Kea, greatly pleased with Kuhl's election. He said the cause of the Republican defeat on the island was the Democratic campaign cry against the board of health's action on poi and banana trees in sanitation work.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES

So successful was the last Ladies' Night at the association, that another similar open house and social is being planned for the night of December 8. Messrs. Lau and Wilson will have charge, and it is rumored that they have some new stunts up their sleeve which will give everybody who comes a rattling good time. The scene will be laid in the big games hall and another of those interesting concerts will be given besides the various other stunts that go to make an enjoyable evening.

The dormitory men are planning a dinner for next Saturday night, when they will get together for a social evening.

The physical department is working up a gathering to be held during the last week of the month to consider the question of personal social, and municipal health. It is possible that a local branch of the Health League will be organized. Just what the Health League is and how its work ministers to the welfare of a community will be presented at that time. The meeting will be under the direction of the physical committee of the association which is composed of: Dr. W. C. Hobdy, chairman; Dr. E. R. Marshall; Dr. A. F. Jackson; B. F. Dillingham; and Frank A. Becher.

W. F. Gaynor has been appointed chairman of a committee to consider the organization of a reading and discussion club for the promotion of good reading, the discussion of current topics, and occasional debates. A large number of men are interested in an organization like this and at a meeting to be held on November 16 the organization will be perfected.

The class in "Investments" held its first session last night. The men were interested in C. G. Heiser's presentation of the subject of "Stocks."

CAR SEALING.

Car seals are not in use on British railroads, as in the United States. The usual custom is to bolt and lock the doors. In the case of very valuable freight or bullion additional protection is afforded by one or more officials traveling inside the car.

William Kaiser, a 300-pound hotel-keeper of Mineola, L. I., made a flight to Rockville Center with Aviator Beaty to win a \$100 bet. The flight lasted 14 minutes.

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